

Washington, DC – Members of the Congressional Black Caucus want to ensure the meaningful participation of minority and women- owned business enterprises (MWBES) in the recently announced Public Private Investment Program, the Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP), the Term Asset Backed Securities Lending Facility (TALF), and other programs designed by the Treasury, the Federal Reserve, the Federal Housing Finance Agency, and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) to assist our financial markets and homeowners.

Therefore, the CBC, under the leadership of its Economic Security Taskforce, is convening a TARP/ TALF Access Summit on Monday, March 30, at which women and minority business owners and professionals will hear from speakers including Federal Reserve Board Chairman Ben Bernanke and John F. Bovenzi, Deputy to the Chairman and Chief Operating Officer FDIC among others about opportunities for their businesses to participate in government efforts such as TARP and TALF.

The Summit itself is closed to the press. However, a press availability is scheduled for 12:45 PM on Monday.

WHO: Congresswoman Gwen Moore (WI), CBC Chairwoman Barbara Lee, Co-chairs of the CBC Economic Security Taskforce Reps. Maxine Waters (CA), Gregory Meeks (NY) and Keith Ellison (MN) and others.

WHAT: Press Availability to discuss the CBC TARP / TALF Access Summit

WHEN: Monday, March 30, 2009
12:45 pm (EST)

WHERE: Longworth Lobby
Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC

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